



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Kiyoshi Nishio et al )  
Appln. No. : 09/868,938 ) Art Unit: 3746  
Filed : July 18, 2001 ) Ex: C. J. Tyler  
For : FLUID DEVICE HAVING )  
DOWNWARDLY INCLINED )  
LOWER LAMELLA PORTION OF )  
A BELLOWS (AS AMENDED) )

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RESPONSE

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Introductory Comments

The following amendments to the claims and accompanying remarks are  
submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 and in response to the Office Action of  
December 22, 2003